

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF

AUER ET AL.

U.S. APPLICATION NO: 10/510,413

35 USC §371 DATE: May 27, 2005

FOR: METHOD FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF INHIBITORS OF THE  
BINDING OF ARE-CONTAINING MRNA AND A HUR PROTEIN

**MS: Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action of October 19, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as indicated herein. Please reconsider the application in light of the amendments and remarks below.

This response is being timely filed. If it is deemed that additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 504409 in the name of Novartis for any fees due.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.